

LEGISLATORS AT SEA ABOUT NEW LAWS

Both Democrats and Republicans Place Financial Relief First.

MAY PLACE TAX ON STOCK SALES

Mississippi Deep Waterway Bill Will Be Pushed, and President Will Endeavor to Force Big Increase for Navy.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 1.—Never at the beginning of any Congress have the congressional leaders of both parties found themselves more at sea concerning legislation than they are on the eve of the convening of the sixtieth assembly of the national legislature, which will take place tomorrow at noon.

Very few, except the financial situation is engaging the attention of any member of either house, and all the members of both houses, whether leaders or followers, confess their inability to forecast what may be done on that subject. All of them lament the present situation, but all of them do not believe that the remedy for it is to be found in legislation. There is some general division along party lines, but there is also great divergence of view among both Republicans and Democrats.

In view of this state of affairs it is evident that very little attention will be given to other questions until there can be some crystallization of thought on the financial problem.

Railway Law.

In his speech of acceptance last night Speaker Cannon intimated the possibility of some amendments to the railroad law, and but for the disturbance in the money market, there is little doubt that this would have been undertaken during the session. It is still possible that nothing will be attempted in that line, but all plans to that end are now quite nebulous. The Democrats have already indicated a purpose of trying to attach a tariff to the front, but the Republicans are so largely in the majority in both houses and are so well united in their purpose of postponing action upon this important subject until after the presidential election that it is probable they have very little hope of accomplishing anything better than getting recognition for a few speeches for campaign consumption.

Tax Stock Sales.

Among other subjects which will receive serious attention will be the question of taxing the sales made in the stock exchanges, and while it is appreciated that even an effort in this direction may affect the market, there are a number of Senators and members who are strongly opposed to such a measure. The Republicans, who would like to make the road as rocky as possible for them, it is too early to say whether such efforts at legislation will be successful. There will be some anti-trust talk, but the financial panic will probably have the effect of curtailing it to a considerable extent. The Philippine tariff bill and the bills for the admission of New Mexico and Arizona to the Union will be introduced early in the session, but it is probable that all of them will receive considerable attention, but it is not so probable that either of them will become a law at this session.

Mississippi Waterway.

The friends of the channel of the Mississippi River will undertake to inaugurate that enterprise during the session, and in that connection there will be an effort looking to the systematic development of all the inland waterways.

It is understood that the President will recommend an appreciable enlargement of the navy, and while Congress does not seem prepared to completely follow him in this matter, the prospect is good for some increase of the navy.

Close in May.

A number of resolutions of inquiry, growing out of the financial situation, will be introduced by Democratic Senators and members early in the session. Some of these will make inquiry concerning the issuance of certificates by the Treasury Department.

Even now men who do most to formulate the policies of the two houses are putting their heads to work on the view of securing an adjustment of the situation at an early date as possible. They are using the fact that the national convention will probably be held in June to influence both the Republican and Democratic, and the response received is generally favorable to the view that the session should come to a close not later than the last of May.

BAR OUT HINDOO AS NEGRO

Reading Hotel Prejudiced Against an Alleged Prince.

READING, PA., December 1.—Nine Reading hotels turned away a supposed Negro visitor said to be a full-blooded Indian prince, who is traveling in this country under the name of Pandit Dr. Krishna, of Bombay, India, studying medicine at the University of London, and who is the aspirant of the Indian Republic.

Dr. Krishna expressed great indignation at the treatment of him and his caste Hindu of rank, which he does not care to mention, and have no negro blood in his veins, he said. After being unable to secure accommodations he was entertained at the home of a resident.

AUTO SKIDDED, AND TWO MEN WILL DIE

CLEVELAND, OHIO, December 1.—James Kearney is dying with a broken back, and Arthur Burton is thought to be fatally injured, as the result of an automobile accident to-day. James Kearney, who was driving a Buick, and Arthur Burton, who was driving a Buick, were on their way to Cleveland, Ohio, when the accident occurred. The Buick was traveling at a high rate of speed when it skidded and struck a telegraph pole. The machine fell upon Burton and Kearney.

HOLY WAR PROCLAIMED

Tribesmen Again Attack the French

LALIA MAGNIA ALGERIA, December 1.—Marabout Bouthiche has proclaimed a holy war, and his emissaries are busy stirring up the frontier tribes, telling them that the French are hoarding all the soldiers have gone to Casablanca.

In an attack on the French near Adjeroud Friday night 4,000 tribesmen, armed with spears and knives, attacked the French forces of 400, but the well-posted guns of the French poured in a murderous shell fire, mowing down the ranks of the tribesmen, who finally retired, leaving the ground strewn with corpses. The French loss was two killed and six wounded.

An official report of the engagement Friday at Adjeroud between French troops and the Beni Nassen tribesmen declares that the latter were decisively beaten. The Beni Nassen were killed and wounded on the field. The French casualties, reinforcements are arriving at Adjeroud, and the Arabs are concentrating at Adjeroud. The Beni Nassen of Adjeroud is at the mouth of the Oued Kikis River, twenty-five miles west from Nemours. The Beni Nassen marks the frontier between Algeria and Morocco. The town is hardly more than a village. The Beni Nassen are scattered along the beach. Cattle and fowls are being held there, the French traders doing business on the right side of the river and the Moroccans on the left.

KILLED BY MOTOR CAR

Auto Turned Upside Down and Pinned Occupants Beneath It.

DETROIT, MICH., December 1.—Captain Frank E. Bent, of Company I, Twentieth Wisconsin National Guard, was instantly killed in an automobile accident near Ecorse last night and four others were injured. Sumner K. Prescott, vice-president and general manager of the Detroit Iron Works, was internally injured, and it is feared he may die. Isaac Stephenson, Jr., member of the United States Senate, had a broken arm, and Joseph Duxbury suffered fractures of his collar bone and one arm. Albert H. H. was badly bruised.

All the members of the party belong to the Marine Corps, and were on their way about midnight from Gladstone to Ecorse. On a steep incline they lost control of the machine and it struck a sharp turn at the foot of the hill, running at terrific speed. The front wheel struck the curb and the car shot forward fifty feet in its flight and landed on its side. Captain Bent's neck was broken.

SIXTY ENTOMBED

Explosion in Fayette City Mine Kills and Buries Many Miners.

MONONGAHELA, PA., December 1.—Between fifty and sixty miners are entombed in the Naomi Mine of the United Mine Coal Company at Fayette City as a result of an explosion of black damp at 8 o'clock last night. It is thought many are dead behind tons of rock and coal which fell during the explosion and blocked the entrance. The explosion was caused, it is said, by a lamp with an open lamp, entered one of the old workings.

Medical aid has been sent from Monongahela and surrounding towns. Details are meagre, owing to defective telephone service. Messengers have been sent out from here.

SPEAKS TO THOUSANDS

Rev. Dr. Torrey Leaves Chicago and Will Preach in Virginia.

CHICAGO, ILL., December 1.—The Rev. Dr. R. A. Torrey closed last night one of the most remarkable evangelistic campaigns ever conducted in Chicago. The meetings, which were held for the most part in a huge steam-heated tent, have attracted an average attendance of 8,000 for Sundays and 2,000 for other nights.

Dr. Torrey has delivered 132 sermons to more than 275,000 listeners. About 2,500 persons have professed conversion. Dr. Torrey left last night for his home in Philadelphia. After a week's rest there he will go to Virginia, where a series of meetings is to be held.

PEOPLE'S MONEY SAFE

None of the Banks Which Failed Carried State Deposits.

ALBANY, N. Y., December 1.—In a statement given out to-day at the State comptroller's office, it is announced that the report of balances in State depositories, which will be issued tomorrow, will show that not a single dollar of the people's money is in a bank in any of the banks or trust companies of New York City which have suspended payment during the recent financial failure.

This achievement, it is stated, substantiates the wisdom of the policy inaugurated during the present administration of the State's finances, of requiring depositories of public funds to insure their money through bonds of surety companies.

BOY'S SKIN TO SAVE FATHER

Brave Lad to Submit to Grafting Operation.

ATLANTIC CITY, December 1.—William Wells, twelve years old, has offered part of his skin to save his father from becoming a helpless cripple. The child, who is a freight conductor, caught his foot in a trap on the Pennsylvania train yards last week and only saved himself from being run down by a heavy train by throwing himself away from the engine. The bones of his leg were snapped and his foot and leg almost entirely stripped of skin.

Medical surgeons first despaired of saving the boy's life, but he is improving. Skin-grafting was decided on to avert amputation of the injured foot, and the plucky boy will undergo the operation early next week.

FUGITIVE AIRSHIP

Balloon Which Broke Loose in France, Passes Over Wales.

LONDON, December 1.—An airship, believed to be the French military airship which broke loose last Saturday at Verdun, France, was seen passing over Wales from various places in Cardiganshire, this morning, traveling seaward at a great altitude. Some of the spectators declared that three men were clinging to the ship.

In the afternoon an airship passed over Belfast, going northward, apparently under control.

Miners May Escape.

DRY TOWN, CAL., December 1.—There is some hope to-day that the miners who were trapped in the mine in the Fremont mine may still be alive. It is considered possible that the men found shelter in one of the side shafts. A search is being made for the men from the smoke which filled the mine.

TORPEDO DESTROYERS START FOR ORIENT

Fleet of Small War Craft Has Begun Their Long Voyage.

WILL STEAM 15,000 MILES

Lieutenant Cone, Who Commands the Flotilla, Has Already Made the Trip in a Torpedo Boat—Ships Carry Japanese Cooks.

NORFOLK, VA., December 1.—The second Flotilla of United States torpedo-boat destroyers, which is to proceed to sail for the Pacific under the command of Admiral Robley D. Evans, has its long voyage of 15,000 miles at 2:40 o'clock this afternoon. The six little vessels composing the flotilla sailed from the Norfolk Navy-yard for Hampton Roads, where the remainder of the day was spent in compass adjustment work.

Weather permitting, Lieutenant Hutchinson I. Cone, the flotilla commander, will at 8 A. M. to-morrow from the flagship Whipple, give the signal for the start, and the flotilla will pass out of the Virginia Capes, headed for San Juan, Porto Rico, where the first stop will be made. Owing to unavoidable delay in getting her ready, the big supply and refrigerated ship, the Arctura, which is to convey the flotilla to the Pacific, will not sail until December 24th.

The Arctura will join the flotilla at Trinidad between December 15th and 24th.

From Trinidad the Arctura will accompany the flotilla on the voyage until San Francisco is reached. The Arctura will be the paymaster ship and carry all the money. The flotilla will be met by the Evans battleship squadron at San Francisco, Brazil, between January 15th and 20th. This will probably be the only time that the battleships and torpedo boat destroyers will meet during the voyage, as the latter, though capable of twenty-seven or twenty-nine knots an hour, will only proceed at the rate of ten and a half knots an hour. This low rate of speed will be maintained for comfort aboard ship, and then, too, the Arctura's speed is not much in excess of this.

CARRY JAP SERVANTS.

This voyage by the little torpedo-boat destroyers, all four-funnel steel vessels, 250 feet long, twenty feet beam and 600 tons displacement, is declared by those going out with the flotilla to be quite as hazardous as the voyage made by the first flotilla in the Philippines several years ago, but nobody doubts that the flotilla will be made in safety. A notable fact is that Flotilla Commander Cone was aboard the destroyed Dale on the voyage to Manila. He is the only man on this expedition who made that voyage.

The six destroyers in the flotilla carry a crew of eighty men each. Nearly all of the boats carry a Japanese crew, and the Japanese crew of the Western Hemisphere, a vessel of formation of the destroyers en route will be as follows: the Whipple, Truxton, Lawrence, Hull, Hopkins and Stewart.

LOUISIANA SALE

Great Battleship Has Completed 1,000 Officers and Men.

NEW YORK, December 1.—With 2,000,000 pounds of ammunition stored in her magazine rooms and with nearly 1,000 men and officers aboard, the big 16,000-ton battleship Louisiana, representative of the largest class of fighting craft in the American Navy, sailed at 10 o'clock to-day for the Brooklyn Navy yard for Hampton Roads, the rendezvous of the Pacific boat Atlantic fleet. The Louisiana will be the first of six magnificent vessels which are to carry the American flag through the Straits of Magellan, and along the Pacific shores of the world, to the Philippines.

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EMPEROR WILLIAM BURNED IN EFFIGY IN GALICIA

LEMBERG, December 1.—Monster lanterns and effigies of Kaiser William were burned in protest against the expropriation of Polish landholders in Prussia. Great hostility was expressed against Kaiser William by the Polish people.

The amount of ammunition stored aboard the Louisiana will be duplicated on all the vessels of her class, including the Canadian fleet. The Louisiana will be the first of six magnificent vessels which are to carry the American flag through the Straits of Magellan, and along the Pacific shores of the world, to the Philippines.

BROWNVILLE NEGRO SOLDIER MURDERS NEGRO WOMAN

HUNTSVILLE, ALA., December 1.—Sid Jones, a negro, who was discharged from the army with a mental disability, shot and killed a negro woman, who was alleged to have been "shot up" by Brownville, Texas, shot and killed a negro woman, who was alleged to have been "shot up" by Brownville, Texas, shot and killed a negro woman, who was alleged to have been "shot up" by Brownville, Texas.

THREE DROWNED WHEN LAUNCH OVERTURNED

PLAQUEMINE, LA., December 1.—Three occupants of a gasoline launch were drowned here to-day, when the craft upset while making a sharp turn in a small bayou. The drowned were Joseph Trepanier, owner of the launch, and two other passengers.

HALF MILLION DOLLAR FIRE IN HOUSTON

HOUSTON, TEXAS, December 1.—At 11:30 o'clock to-night fire broke out in the block bounded by Main, Franklin, Congress and Preston streets. The fire is by no means under control, and it appears now as if the fire will be unable to come with it. The loss is now over half a million dollars.

COTTON CROP ESTIMATE.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., December 1.—The Times-Dispatch to-night issued its estimate of the 1907 cotton crop. The estimate is 11,435,000 bales, exclusive of lint.

KILLED FATTED CALF

Young Man, Who Starved His Mother's French Maid, Is Executed.

PITTSBURGH, PA., December 1.—John Alston Moorehead, son of John K. Moorehead, Jr., a wealthy Pittsburgh man and member of one of the oldest families of Pittsburgh, has been fully forgiven for running away with and marrying his mother's French maid.

For over a year the young man has been hoarding his row, supporting his wife and paying the rent on his humble cottage, and making good in every sense of the phrase.

When, on Thanksgiving Day, the Western University of Pennsylvania was celebrating its twenty-fifth anniversary, Moorehead, who was a student at the college, threw both his pride and his hat in the air, gave an yell and gathered his friends around him.

For it was his son John, who had trained the Western University of Pennsylvania players in the fray, and it was because he had "made good" both as a coach and a working man that Western University of Pennsylvania would probably have to get another coach.

The college trustees, however, who had practically shut his door on him a little more than a year ago, had decided to give him a full scholarship for the next year, but he had refused to give a definite answer. His reconciliation with his family is complete, and he has decided that he has earned a rest.

RELIGIOUS RIOT

Crowd of 25,000 Greet Greek Priest, and Panic Ensues.

PITTSBURGH, PA., December 1.—In a crowd estimated at 25,000 persons at Union Station to-day, women and children were carried off their feet by a struggling mass of humanity, and their shrieks and cries threw others into a panic, resulting in a riot call by the police.

The Greek priest, who was the head of the Right Rev. S. S. Orlynski, new head of that branch of the Greek Catholic Church in America, which recognized the Pope of Rome. Greeks from surrounding territory to greet him, and the crowd was estimated at 25,000 persons.

KILLED BY GAS EXPLOSION

Dr. Wotring Loses Life and Many Others Are Injured.

ADRIAN, MICH., December 1.—Dr. Artemus O. Wotring, aged forty years, was instantly killed and several others were injured by the explosion of a gas plant at his home in Ogden Center last night.

Miss Pink Wotring, the doctor's daughter, and several friends were driven out onto the porch by gas fumes when something went wrong with the gas plant in the cellar. The doctor, who was in the house, was killed.

GIRL HELD PRISONER

Kidnapped by Two Men and Kept in Garrett Two Weeks.

NEW YORK, December 1.—Kidnapped and kept in prison for two weeks in an upper floor of a building at Whitehouse, N. Y., Miss Farland, a girl of 18, was rescued to-day by the police. She was found, was a prisoner of two men, who were arrested.

While returning from church Sunday night, two weeks ago, the girl told the police that she had been kidnapped by two men, who were arrested. She was found, was a prisoner of two men, who were arrested.

KILLED BRIDEGROOM

Rejected Suitors of Bride Waylay and Murder Him.

BROWNVILLE, PA., December 1.—While the festivities in celebration of his marriage were at their height early to-day, George Bea, aged thirty-eight, was shot and killed by several suitors, who were jealous of his bride.

TWO MEN DROWNED IN ST. JOHN'S RIVER

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., December 1.—The St. John's River claimed two victims to-day by drowning. Simon McCaffery, a boiler-maker, and John Sharrow, a painter, were drowned.

LIEUT. GOV. CHANLER FAVORS SECRET ORGANIZATIONS

OSWEGO, N. Y., December 1.—Lieutenant-Governor Chanler, the speaker at the Elks memorial exercises to-day, ascribed the present high standard of citizenship in the United States to the influence of secret organizations.

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PORTUGAL RIOTS DECLARED UNTRUE

King is Not a Prisoner and Navy Has Not Mutinied.

CAMPAIGN TRICK AGAINST FRANCO

Country in State of Peace, and No Evidence of Popular Excitement—King Drives and Walks in Public and Attends the Opera.

LISBON, December 1.—The baseless character of the alarmist rumors representing that Portugal was on the eve of civil war and revolution has been fully established by the independent investigation of a staff correspondent of the Associated Press. There never seems to have been the slightest excuse for the stories circulated from the frontier that the King was a prisoner and that the Crown Prince had been banished, and that the navy had mutinied.

A strong suspicion exists that such reports were part of a campaign of Premier Franco's enemies, instituted in order to create a distrust abroad in the country's financial position and thus discredit and bring about the downfall of the premier at home.

To a certain extent this ruse was successful, for the premium on gold rose to a figure unprecedented in recent years. The movement, doubtless being actuated by the monetary stringency abroad.

EVERYTHING PEACEFUL.

The flurry in exchange, however, rapidly disappeared as the gravity of the situation here was disproved. Nothing could be more peaceful than the appearance of the country through which the Associated Press correspondent traveled from Madrid to Lisbon. During the entire journey down the Tagus Valley not the remotest evidence of popular excitement or agitation was observed and not a single soldier was seen at the stations. The King drives and walks daily, unattended by any military escort, and last night occupied his accustomed box at the opera. Franco, "the dictator," goes abroad unmolested.

The American minister, Charles Page Bryan, who has just returned from a business trip through the country, observed similar tranquillity everywhere.

TAFT IN MOSCOW

Spends Sunday in Inspecting the Treasures of the Kremlin.

MOSCOW, December 1.—Secretary Taft spent Sunday in a visit to the ancient Kremlin, the palaces and churches of which were opened for his inspection by General Guerselmann, Governor of Moscow.

After the round of official visits had been paid in the morning, Secretary Taft assigned his personal aides to conduct the American Secretary of War and his party through the fortress. The party was met by the Russian Minister of War, General Guerselmann, and the Russian Minister of the Interior, General Guerselmann.

MUTES TAKE MARRIAGE VOWS

They Resort to a Handy Typewriter to Become Husband and Wife.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., December 1.—Fingering out their marriage vows on the keyboard of a typewriter, Carrie Lemke, of Cando, N. D., and Chris D. Peterson, of Wadena, Minn., became deaf and dumb yesterday made husband and wife. The service took place in the Minneapolis Courthouse, presided over by W. E. Bates, court commissioner.

AN ORDERLY CITY

Not a Single Felony Case in 1,700 Burglary During Two Months.

LYNN, MASS., December 1.—The December term of the Superior Court will convene Monday morning without a grand jury, this being past the ending money market in New Orleans was indicated to-night by the announcement that the New Orleans stock exchange will to-morrow resume trading in the money market.

CREW IS SAVED

Life-Savers Take Off Eight Men From the Wrecked Ship.

NEW YORK, December 1.—The life-saving crew of eight men took off the ship Lady Napier, which went ashore at Sandy Hook, N. J., last night. The crew was saved by the life-saving crew of eight men.

CAMPAIGN TO STOP IMPROPER MARRIAGES

LONDON, December 1.—The Eugenic and Moral Education Society, just formed to improve the human race by inducing attention to the natural laws of breeding, has issued a pamphlet, "The Marriage of the Future," which is being distributed to all persons affected with diseases transmissible by heredity. There will be lectures, and a "propaganda" and school instruction.

RECEIVER FOR EXPOSITION?

Judge Waddill Denies That There is Any Present Prospect for Such Step.

NORFOLK, VA., December 1.—The belief is general that the Jamestown Exposition Company will pass into the hands of the United States courts within the next twenty-four hours. It is expected that a petition for a receiver for the company will be asked and approved without delay. A high official of the company, who declines to allow the use of his name, admitted to-day that he expected such action at once, and understands that the necessary petition has been prepared, and that all was held up pending the closing of the fair.

Recently creditors petitioned Judge Waddill of the United States court, to name a receiver for the company. Judge Waddill refused to grant the petition, and the creditors are now endeavoring to get the company into the hands of the United States courts.

Should the creditors take such steps it is believed that the last hope of reopening the exposition would be lost. Whether or not they will succeed is problematic in the extreme. It is not believed that they will succeed.

Judge Edmund P. Waddill, of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, to-day night that no new action had as yet been taken in connection with the Jamestown Exposition Company as far as he was informed. Judge Waddill continued: "There was a suit filed in Norfolk several weeks ago, possibly by the creditors, which has been never heard before, and I am not interested in it. No new motion has been entered recently in this case, so far as I am informed, but now that the exposure has been made, it is not thought that any other suit could be heard on its merits until this is disposed of."

CHAIRMAN FOWLER ON MONEY QUESTION

Says He Predicted a Year Ago Present State of Affairs.

THE COUNTRY IS PROSPEROUS

Says Only Basis Must Be Gold in Gold Standard Country—Adds That Unlimited Number of Bank-Notes Based on Bonds Would Be Last Straw.

NEW YORK, December 1.—Chairman Fowler, of the House Committee on Banking and Currency, made the following statement to-day respecting the outlook for financial legislation in the present Congress: "There certainly should be some remedial legislation, and I can assure you that the members of the Committee on Banking and Currency will bend their energies to that end. What we shall be able to accomplish no man can answer. But that there is urgent need for help no man can deny."

"At the close of the last session of Congress I said that the condition of our finances and currency was such that it would of necessity lead to the destruction of our prosperity. If this government continues its present policy of injecting into the arteries of trade and commerce a fixed bond-secured currency—by exchanging securities, by bond speculation, by Treasury manipulation, by excessive issue of money, by any other form of money-fiddling—we shall continue to move, but with greatly accelerated speed, toward a commercial crisis compared with which the present panic is only a pleasant summer outing."

"Our condition this fall has been one of real prosperity. Our reserves, about \$7,000,000,000, the products of our mines about \$1,400,000,000, our manufactured products about \$17,000,000,000, a total of \$25,000,000,000. Meanwhile we have had the advantage of an extraordinary consumption of our goods. Our reserves, about \$7,000,000,000, the products of our mines about \$1,400,000,000, our manufactured products about \$17,000,000,000, a total of \$25,000,000,000. Meanwhile we have had the advantage of an extraordinary consumption of our goods."

"We have to-day in the banks of this country about \$12,000,000,000 of deposits, and about the same amount of outstanding loans. Against this fabulous sum the banks hold as reserve about \$300,000,000, or less than 3 per cent., and even of this 3 per cent. reserve, nearly one-quarter, \$200,000,000, is in the form of a mere credit, a mere promise to pay."

"Stating it another way, the reserves held against two and one-half billions of our bank deposits to-day are bank-notes and not gold, which is admittedly a question of doubt in any country with a gold standard."

"Yet if we continue our present policy, where is it going to end? Not long will it be before all of our bank deposits will rest upon credit reserves. This is obviously the worst and wildest form of inflation. Yet it is rampant, and about the same amount of our bank deposits to-day are bank-notes and not gold, which is admittedly a question of doubt in any country with a gold standard."

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